Chavara bridge.

21. *Mr. N. Narayana Kurup: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Chavara bridge is strong enough to allow traffic of loaded buses and lorries ;

(*b*) if not, how long has it been in that condition ;

(*c*) whether it is a bridge on the main road from Quilon to Cochin ;

(*d*) whether there was an accident to a military lorry recently on or near the bridge ;

(*e*) what occured ; and

(*f*) whether any estimate for reconstruction is made ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Since 1936.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) The lorry dashed against the hand rail of the bridge and fell over it to the canal bank.

(*f*) An estimate is under preparation.

Mr. N. Narayana Kurup: May I know why the estimate even is delayed from 1936 ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: The difficulty arose only from 1939. In fact, a provision has been made in the Budget and it is on account of the scarcity of iron materials that the work is being delayed.

Mr. N. Narayana Kurup: May I know why it was delayed from 1936 to 1939 ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: It was found that the existing bridge was good enough for light traffic and it took time for preparing an estimate for a strong bridge.

Bridges at Murinjapuzha and Poothotta.

22. *Mr. P. Gopalan (*Vaikom, Kottayam and Changanacherry* cum *Peermade*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any proposal for erecting two bridges one at Murinjapuzha and the other at Poothotta in the Vaikom taluk on the way to Ernakulam from Vaikom ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: No.

Mr. P. Gopalan : ഒരു നിശ്ചിതകാലത്തിനുള്ളിൽ ചില പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ട പാലങ്ങളെ ചെയ്യുതീക്കാനായി ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽനിന്നും ഒരു ലിസ്റ്റ് തയ്യാറാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ളതായറിയാമോ ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko : അറിയാം.

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